



## Community War Fund Drive Exceeds All Expectations; Delights Officials

Greenbelt's score in the Community War Fund Drive amazed and delighted Prince Georges County officials Tuesday as it reached a total of \$1,263, more than doubling last year's record of \$501. Several organizations were yet to be heard from. The two week drive was directed by Mrs. Wells Harrington, who was appointed to the chairmanship by the Greenbelt Citizens Association. Mrs. Harrington was assisted by a staff of 67 workers.

Although no specific quota was set for Greenbelt, the sum raised almost equals the goal set for the entire, Berwyn area, far exceeding all expectations.

Town employees led the organized groups with the sum of \$256. Mrs. Mary Jane Kinzer was in charge of this section of the drive and also gave very valuable general assistance, according to Mrs. Harrington. Mrs. Lillian Harmelin directed the effort among Elementary School employees and pupils. Their combined contribution was \$208.17. The Greenbelt High School faculty and pupils raised \$76.60. Thomas Jeffries directed the drive among GCS employees, who raised \$116.30.

Other organizations contributing as of last Tuesday were the Citizens Association, Womens Club, B'nai B'rith, Hebrew Congregation, and Our Lady of Sorrows Sodality.

## Rifle Offenders Fined \$10 Each

The three minor youths circumstantially involved last August in the shooting of eight-year-old Sharon Phelps of 24-A Ridge Road were fined \$10 each and ordered to relinquish their guns by Judge Alan Bowie sitting in the Hyattsville Police Court Monday. The judge also recommended that the boys get a good thrashing.

As the Phelps child was playing on her front lawn the evening of August 27 a sharp "ping" was heard and she fell over. It was not until a physician was called to examine her that it was realized she had been shot. The following day saw the arrest of three teenage boys who were known to have been firing .22 caliber rifles at a farm half a mile away. Warrants alleging assault were nolle prossed when Assistant State's Attorney Ignatius Keane told the court that surgeons fear to remove the bullet from the girl's spine.

The boys said they had been shooting at a weathervane.

## Meade Wives Play Bingo

The Fort Meade Officers Wives Club of Greenbelt played Bingo in the social room of the Elementary School last Monday night. For the finale, a whole card was filled and the jackpot wastaken by Mrs. Peg McGlothlin. Mrs. Madora Queen won the door prize. Mrs. Bessie Amshoff was high scorer in bridge. Mrs. Betty Barkley, chairman in charge of refreshments and entertainment, was ably assisted by a competent committee. Miss Frances Mauldin of South Carolina, who is visiting her sister, Mrs. Kitty Kitchen, was a guest for the evening.

Mrs. Madge Mahnke, chairman pro-tem, appointed Mrs. "Charlie" Sherman, Mrs. Gene Fairchild, Mrs. Alice Paust, and Mrs. Ruthie Runge, as a nominating committee to select candidates for offices to be held this coming year.

The next meeting, to which all wives of Ft. Meade Officers are invited, will be held Monday, November 20th, in the Social Room of the Elementary School. Card games will be played.

## MILITARY BALL

The seventh annual Armistice Day Ball, under the auspices of the American Legion, will be held at the Greenbelt Elementary School Saturday evening, November 11, from 9:30 to 1. There will be a floor show, consisting of the Greenbelt Tumbling Team and another feature, in addition to dancing to the music of Van Camp's Orchestra.

Servicemen convalescing at Camp Ord have been invited to come as guests of the Legion. The general public will pay \$1.20 for couples and 60 cents for single admission. Greenbelt girls and young women are particularly urged to attend to aid in entertaining the servicemen.

## 49 Percent Local Pop. Qualified To Vote

According to the Voters Information Committee of the Citizens Association, 95% of Greenbelt's population was visited and given information on the rules and regulations concerning voting in practically every state in the Union. As a result of a summary prepared by the Committee, it was found that 49% of the population was qualified to vote, but there was a considerable difference in this percentage between residents in the old section and the defense section of town. Sixty percent of the old section residents were qualified, in contrast to 30% of the defense section.

A breakdown of the figures according to various groups, gave the following percentages, based on a typical sample of 289 individuals in the old section—voting by absentee ballot, 39%; soldier vote, 7%; going home to vote, 3%; registered and voting in Maryland, 29%; not qualified to vote, 21%; not interested, 16%.

In the defense section, the same groups were as follows—voting by absentee ballot, 23%; soldier vote, 13%; going home to vote, none; registered and voting in Maryland, 4%; not qualified to vote, 51%; not interested, 8%.

## Mrs. St. Clair Now News Editor

As Mrs. Helen Chasanow's resignation as news editor of the Cooperator became effective this week, Editor Anne Hull announces the appointment of Mrs. Elizabeth St. Clair to fill her position. Mrs. St. Clair has been reporting Greenbelt Consumers Services news for several months. Mrs. Caroline Miller of 6-C Crescent Road will take over this beat.

News articles may be left at Mrs. St. Clair's apartment at 52-A Crescent Road and any news tips or information telephoned to her at Greenbelt 4503.

## B'nai B'rith Dines GI's

At the regular meeting of the Greenbelt B'nai B'rith, it was decided that on November 17th, soldiers from Camp Ord, Beltsville, will be entertained for dinner at the homes of some of the members, after which they will be taken to services at the Hebrew Congregation. After services, the B'nai B'rith and the congregation will entertain at a social. The War Service, Hospitality, and Red Cross committees will meet at the home of Diana Kramer, 30-D Crescent Road on Nov. 14th at 8:30 p. m. to make final arrangements for the affair. This is an open meeting, and all are invited.

Lil Gerstel was appointed chairman of Hillel House.

A resolution was passed and the following donations are being made: \$10 will be sent to the Red Cross to be used for Christmas boxes for overseas soldiers; \$5 to the Community War Fund; and \$5 to the Denver Hospital.

The program committee introduced their guest speaker, Rabbi Herman Segal from Washington, whose topic was "Thanksgiving". We all enjoyed the talk. Refreshments were served before the meeting was adjourned.

## 7th Anniversary Dinner Will Fete Newswriters

Staff members of the Cooperator and their guests will celebrate the seventh anniversary of Greenbelt's community newspaper with a dinner later this month. The annual meeting of the Greenbelt Cooperative Publishing Association will be held in conjunction with the dinner.

Thelma Finlay has been appointed chairman for the affair. Invitations are being sent out this week. Agenda of the annual meeting will include election of directors, and reports from President Donald H. Cooper, Editor Anne Hull, and the treasurer.

## 417 Local Votes Mostly Democrat

A total of 417 Greenbelt voters managed to get to the American Legion House by one means or another Tuesday to give substantial local majorities to all Democratic candidates. Ten of the votes in this precinct were invalid, and of the remainder 244 were for President Roosevelt, 161 for Governor Dewey and 2 for the Socialist candidate, Norman Thomas. In the contests for congressional seats Democratic candidates ran even stronger, with Tydings receiving 284 votes to 115 for Randall for the Senate and Sasser polling 291 to Weidemeyer's 104 for Representative from this district.

All amendments were passed by substantial majorities except Number 1 which would have permitted land grants and gifts to churches without legislative action. This amendment, the only one in which much interest was shown, was defeated by the narrow margin of 1 to 169.

In Prince Georges County as a whole Roosevelt polled a scant majority of the votes although Tydings and Sasser ran far ahead of their opponents.

## Possibility That ECL May Select A Local Director

Greenbelt Consumers Services will be represented at the annual meeting of the Eastern Cooperative League in New York tomorrow and Sunday by board members Carrie Harper, Walter R. Volckhausen and Donald H. Cooper. Several other directors who were considered as delegates were unable to accept the appointment. Alternate delegates are Dr. Lincoln Clark and Henry Walter. The Eastern Cooperative League is the educational federation of cooperative societies in the East.

Of particular interest to Greenbelt cooperators on the agenda of the meeting is the election of directors. During the past year there has been no director of ECL from this area, and the delegates from G.C.S., Rochdale and other cooperatives of the Potomac Federation plan to rectify this situation at the meeting tomorrow. Also on the agenda is the consideration of changes in the structure of sectional educational groups.

Tomorrow evening delegates will attend a rally for the benefit of the Freedom Fund for rebuilding cooperatives in devastated areas. The rally will feature scenes from the centennial pageant and speeches by Dr. Lincoln Clark of UNRRA, former director of G.C.S., and Dr. Douglas Steere of the American Friends Service Committee.

## Former Greenbelter Boosts Co-op Sales

With weekly sales averaging \$7,000, the new Bethesda branch store of Rochdale Cooperative continues to exceed expectations. Jim Dunaway, formerly of Greenbelt, is manager of Rochdale. A goal of \$6,500 a week was set in order to cover operating costs and show a profit.

The good work of the food store staff is being equalled by the education committee in acquainting Bethesda residents with cooperative principles and interesting them in joining as well as patronizing the cooperative. The capital stock drive is well ahead of schedule, \$9,000 having been raised to date.

Under Rochdale's plan for establishing cooperative stores, one-half of the capital is to be raised locally before the store opens. The other half is loaned from Rochdale's revolving fund and must be repaid by the local membership through the sale of additional shares within one year. The Bethesda group anticipates no difficulty in raising the balance of \$5,300 before October 4, 1945.

## Second Cookie Batch Goes To Camp Ord

The Women's Guild and Catholic Sodality organizations donated cookies this week to the Greenbelt Cookie Jar at Camp Ord. The B'nai B'rith of Greenbelt donated the first batch of cookies for the week of Oct. 31st.

## Drug store Closed; Manager Quits After Scuffle In Shopping Center; Charges Rowdiness Rules Greenbelt

What actually happened Wednesday afternoon a week ago? To decide the truth in regard to a case which had to be thrown out of court because of the mass of conflicting evidence, is a task for Solomon. The facts will be presented as nearly as they could be deter-



MR. SILNUTZER mined, and where parties differ on details it will be made clear whose version is being used.

It is clearly established that drugstore manager Silnutzer and a

## Speicher To Talk About High School

"Know Your Child's School" will be the topic under discussion at the High School PTA meeting to be held Tuesday evening, November 14 at the Greenbelt High School. Principal John Speicher will explain the school system, curriculum, and subjects and credits necessary for graduation and college entrance requirements.

The program planned is a full and varied one. From 8 to 8:30 there will be "home room visitation" to give parents an opportunity to meet and get acquainted with the teachers, and a chance to discuss their sons' and daughters' work in school. The business meeting, starting at 8:30, will include standing committee reports, and an account of the State Convention held recently at Hagerstown, Md., which was attended by Mrs. Underwood, vice-president of the Greenbelt High School PTA.

Following the business meeting there will be a musical program arranged by the Junior and Senior choruses under the direction of Mrs. Trucks.

The evening will wind up with refreshments served by the Senior Class.

## Still Time To Enroll In "Navy Neighbors"

Enrollment is still open for the "Navy Neighbors" program recently launched by the Greenbelt Navy Wives. Registration may be made this Monday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Jack Rosenson, R. N., 9-G Southway, where the first Red Cross Home Nursing Class will be held from 1 till 3 p. m. Classes will be held between these hours every Monday and Thursday.

The Red Cross Home Nursing Course is—required of all volunteers, unless a candidate has had some previous nursing training and can show credentials, or if a Nurses Aide. Such applicants must be approved by Navy Relief.

Anyone interested in becoming a part of the "Navy Neighbors" service program should call Mrs. Rosenson, 2157, Mrs. Brunjes, 5171, or Mrs. Calley, 5632.

## NOTICE

The Welfare Department of the Women's Club will meet on Thursday, Nov. 16th, at 2:00 p. m. at the home of Mrs. James Gobel, 1-F Gardenway. Co-hostesses will be Mrs. C. Paul Barnhart, Mrs. Samuel Houlton, and Mrs. W. Corwin Ewing. The speaker will be Mr. Henry How of the Goodwill Industries who will illustrate his talk with slides.

colored porter were cleaning soap and wax Halloween scribbles from the drugstore window facing the Administration Office when the bus drew up to unload its customary mid-afternoon load of high school students. One of the boys upon entering, according to his friends, remarked that "the boys did a good job last night," or something similar, repeating his remark when he came out shortly afterwards. Silnutzer looked up, and, according to a statement made to General Manager Tom Ricker, saw the boy's fist upraised and therefore turned the hose on him, in self defense. To witnesses out of earshot who had no reason to be watching the group closely, the attack seemed unprovoked. In the ensuing scuffle the boy's clothing and books were soaked with ammonia and water solution used in cleaning the window, and Silnutzer's glasses were broken against his cheek. The boys and his family claim that the aggression was all on the part of Dr. Silnutzer and his son Aaron, who ran out of the drugstore in support of his father.

When the younger Silnutzer marched the high school boy to the police station both were arrested by Officer Dodge for "disorderly conduct," although this charge was not made to stick in court, as the town ordinance defining disorderly conduct does not contain the word "fight".

Mr. Silnutzer had sworn out an assault warrant against the boy, and the boy's father had sworn out an assault warrant against Aaron.

Anonymous telephone calls, allegedly scurrilous, heckled the GCS office, General Manager Ricker and the Silnutzers.

At the trial on Monday morning, according to General Manager Tom Ricker, fourteen witnesses were summoned to testify, although as far as he knew only a few persons were on the scene when the trouble started. As stated above, the case was thrown out of court because of conflicting testimony.

Between Wednesday and last Monday, when the trial was held, according to the management, rowdiness in the drugstore steadily increased. Insulting signs were scrawled on the doors. The paper carrier serving the Silnutzers "had orders" not to leave any papers on their porch. On Friday night the Silnutzers asked the police to escort them to their car from the drugstore door. Saturday morning the air was let out of their tires.

Following the trial Manager Silnutzer presented the following letter of resignation to Mr. Ricker: "Dear Sir: I take this occasion to thank you and the board of directors for your whole-hearted support. I want to thank you for the confidence you have placed in me in my very short but conscientious effort to give this community the pharmaceutical service to which it was entitled. Due to the deficiency of recognized police authority I found that my mission was impossible of fulfillment, without jeopardizing my personal dignity, my professional dignity, and my right to the pursuit of life, liberty and happiness. I hereby tender my resignation, without prejudice, said resignation to take effect at once. Respectfully submitted."

The drugstore has been closed since Monday morning and remained so by order of the State Inspector of Drug Stores. Greenbelters coming to the Center to patronize the drug store have been confronted with signs on the door simply stating it was closed.

## Thanksg'ng Dance Tickets On Sale

A Thanksgiving Dance for Saturday evening, November 25 is being sponsored by the Greenbelt Citizens Association. President Wells Harrington announced this week. Music will be provided by the orchestra of Jack Morton, reputedly one of the best in Washington.

Tickets are already on sale at 60 cents apiece if purchased ahead of time, but the price will be 72 cents is bought at the door, Dance Chairman George Tretter says. Mrs. Evelyn Cooper, secretary of the Citizens Association, is in charge of ticket sales.



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## "We're Going To Get Silnutzer"

When a community of 7500 is deprived of the services of its only drug store through the actions of irresponsible minors, it is no time to fold the hands and murmur "Boys will be boys". When sick children have to wait for medicines to cure them, and with qualified pharmacists practically unobtainable, it is hardly helpful to be adjured "we must be patient".

The recent closing of the drugstore was precipitated by the unfortunate incident described on page one. We don't condone the spectacle of a grown man losing control of his temper in public and making a scene, but we wonder if the citizens of Greenbelt realize what has been happening in the drug store over a long period of time, and the extreme provocation under which Manager Silnutzer acted.

How many Greenbelt parents know that their high school age boys and girls have been getting free hand-outs at the drug store from their pals behind the counter? Do they know which of their children's friends have acquired reputations with the management and police for "habitual disorderly conduct" in the drugstore, and, since no drastic consequences ensue, that such offenders became heroes in the eyes of their fellows?

Have these boys and girls told their parents why, in their own words, they were out to "get" Silnutzer, namely, that he broke up the hand-outs by discharging several clerks, and attempted, in the interest of the community to curb the rampant rowdiness? Are Greenbelt fathers and mothers concerned that Mr. and Mrs. Silnutzer were goaded by anonymous telephone calls and taunted with filthy names, during the high-schoolers' campaign to "get Silnutzer"?

The police department and the Administration have been criticized for not singling out and effectively dealing with the ringleaders of the teen age group, who are well known to the officials, since their misdeeds have been reported again and again throughout the community, without any apparent effect. Tom Ricker, retiring manager of General Consumers Services, states his belief that the root of the trouble lies in the fact that "there are sufficient adults in Greenbelt willing to take the boys' side and to condone their actions, no matter what they do". Some citizens wonder if lack of discipline at the High School would explain the defiant actions of the teen-agers, after hours. Some ask "Why shouldn't the Social Room be turned over to the kids every night?" Others say "If the drugstore ever opens again, how about amputating the lunch counter between 3:30 and 5?"

Local leadership has been criticized for not forming boys clubs. It has been pointed out that for all Greenbelt's young male population there is only one Boy Scout Troop, and that no Cub work is being done.

We would like to see the parents of our teen-agers getting together to work out nightly gatherings for the kids at one or the other of their respective houses. We suggest that the grownups get together to discuss the danger besetting their children, their loose talk, their disrespect for authority, and their destructive behavior.

There is a very real chance that many will refuse, out of disgust for the current goings-on, to be taxed to provide a clubhouse for what they term "a gang of hoodlums."

## Help Ahead

Hardly a day passes in Greenbelt when a young mother just home from the hospital does not need a helping hand, when an overburdened housewife cannot get away to do necessary shopping, or when there is a working mother who cannot afford to take time off in case of an ill child.

The 250 Navy families in Greenbelt propose to remedy this situation by encouraging as many of their personnel as possible to join the "Navy Neighbors" program, whereby qualified help can be furnished in case of emergencies similar to those listed above.

Fifteen or sixteen have already signed up to take the Red Cross Home Nursing Course required for volunteers who have had no previous nursing experience.

We understand that the Housewives Club also plans to launch a similar plan for the benefit of its members.

Helpful neighbors are a grand institution. We're convinced that trained, organized neighbors would be an even greater help in time of trouble, and heartily approve the plans of these two groups to lift themselves by their bootstraps out of the nurse-less and maid-less situation in which most of us find ourselves.

## Church School News

Sunday, November 5, there were 450 in Sunday School. On Founders Day, November 12, everyone is urged to attend. An attendance of 600 is hoped for by December.

Miss Barbara Runnion, teacher of the fourth grade boys in the Junior Department, has moved to West Virginia.

The Community Men's Class had 26 attenders last Sunday. This class meets in the Home Ec Room at 10 a. m. At their recent election the following officers were chosen: J. M. Holmes, president; C. Paul Barnhart, vice president; Capt. Matthers, secretary; George M. Eshbaugh, treasurer.

Pvt. Bill Townsend has been wounded in action somewhere in France. When Bill left Greenbelt he was a member of the Senior Class.

Dick Bates of the Air Force has recently returned.

Howard Fitzhugh thanks his friends for their letters written to him at Camp Barkley, Texas, where he's recovering from an eye injury.

Mrs. Carl Chesley's fourth grade girls are learning the Lord's Prayer, Ten Commandments, Beatitudes, 23rd Psalm, and the Books of the Bible. A star memorization certificates will be presented to each little girl who completes this assignment. Parents are asked to help at home with this memory work.

## CHURCH GUILD

The regular meeting of the Community Church Guild was held Wednesday, November 1st at the home of Mrs. D. J. Neff. Rev. Johnston officiated at the installation of the new officers: President, Mrs. George Wyant; Vice-President, Mrs. Donald Wilcox; Secretary, Mrs. H. H. Key and Treasurer, Mrs. Harry Bates. Committee chairmen were appointed by the president and plans for the December sale were discussed.

Mrs. W. H. Blue is in charge of sending cookies from the Guild to Camp Ord at Beltsville the first week of each month. Twenty dozen cookies are being pledged by various women's organizations each week and anyone desiring to contribute through the Guild please contact Mrs. Blue.

A gift of beautiful brown kid gloves was presented by the Guild to the outgoing president, Mrs. Neff, in grateful appreciation of her services to the Guild for the past three years.

## Handkerchief Shower

Members of the Community Church Guild gave a surprise handkerchief shower for Mrs. C. B. Richie who will be leaving for Westchester, Pa. shortly. The shower was held at Mrs. Richie's home. Following the opening of the many packages of lovely handkerchiefs, games were played and prizes distributed. Delicious ice cream, home made cakes, coffee and sandwiches were served and thoroughly enjoyed by the nineteen ladies present. Mrs. Richie, who has resided in Greenbelt for the past seven years was one of the first members of the Guild and served as secretary for the organization for a term.

## IN MEMORIAM

We wish to thank our friends and neighbors for their kindness and sympathy in the tragic loss of our son Tommy. Your consideration and understanding has been an untold comfort to us. For the men who so bravely attempted to save his life there are no words to express our feeling. All we can possibly say is God Bless You.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Nance

## LOCAL GIRLS AT USO

One day last week the Laurel USO requested the Greenbelt Women's Club to send some girls to help entertain servicemen from Ft. Meade Sunday night. When the group of members' daughters and friends arrived at the Laurel USO they found themselves confronted with the task of cooking, serving, and cleaning up a supper for a few hundred hungry servicemen.

Lesser souls would have balked at that huge and unexpected undertaking, but these Greenbelt girls, assisted by Mrs. S. Hartford Downs, Mrs. Leon Benefiel and Mr. and Mrs. Guy Andrus, did a bang-up job, leaving a reputation as excellent cooks behind them. The girls were Dale Downs, Gerry Andrus, Dorothy Neff, Helen Kaign, Virginia Neuman, Mirim Cutsail, Doris Asher and Patricia Robinson.

## NEW BABIES

Most recent arrivals include: Charles A. Lehman, Jr., born to Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Lehman, 15-D Parkway, on October 30.

Richard John Castaldi, born to Mr. and Mrs. Edward John Castaldi, 11-V Ridge Road, on October 24.

Michael Austin Dennevan, born to Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Edward Dennevan, 27-J Ridge Road, on October 13.

## TO THE EDITOR

To the Editor:

I am ashamed of what we Greenbelters have done, with a shame I have never known before in Greenbelt. We have literally run out of town a citizen whose only fault was doing his job too well.

Mr. Meyer Silnutzer came to Greenbelt about seven weeks ago to try to pull together the pieces of a drugstore which was in a deplorable state—its \$2600 loss for the third quarter of 1944 is eloquent testimony. He worked long hours and his wife and son pitched in to help, trying to put the store in its feet. He was doing a job that was almost universally commended by our citizens. He was happy to live in a "model" community, and was eager to take his place here and to work with us for the common good.

In straightening out the store he had to take one action which brought him much disfavor among the youngsters in town—he had to release several boys, employed at the lunch counter, who were giving free ice cream, sodas, etc., to their friends. To have condoned the practice would certainly not have been in the best interest of all concerned; but stopping it was naturally not a popular move either with the employees involved or with the numerous beneficiaries of the practice.

The boys retaliated by interfering with the management of the drugstore in a variety of ways which only the imaginative mood of growth could conceive. Overturned tables, loitering, insolent remarks, marking walls and windows, were among the devices used. The fact that some of the attacks took a racial and religious turn made them even less defensible. Although some of the actions resulted in property damage and public nuisance, the local police force seemed unwilling or unable to assist in maintaining order.

The difficulties reached a climax in the fracas last Wednesday leading to the issuing of warrants against one of the boys and against Dr. Silnutzer's son, who had stepped in to support his father. When conflicting testimony led the judge to throw both cases out of court, Silnutzer felt that he could look forward to nothing but further turmoil if he continued to manage the drugstore and so he resigned.

We Greenbelters are responsible for the indefensible injustice which Mr. Silnutzer and his family have suffered—we have failed to provide our boys with recreational facilities which will keep them off the streets in the evening, we have permitted our police force to evade its duty to protect persons and property in Greenbelt, and, worst of all, we have permitted the Hitlerian doctrine of racial prejudice to influence a goodly number of our boys.

Mr. Silnutzer has been painfully hurt by our failure; but Greenbelt will suffer at least as much. We will not easily find as capable a manager for our store, nor as conscientious a citizen for our community. And the doctrine of racial and religious prejudice can only bring to our people the suspicion, the arrogance, and the intolerance which characterized the Nazi state, but above which we in a democracy seek to rise.

In the hope that we may remedy the situation, and that we may convince Mr. Silnutzer that the many persons interested in Greenbelt that these actions do not express the attitude of an appreciable number of our people, we should go out of the way to let Mr. Silnutzer know of our support, of our regret that he should have been the victim of the viciousness which we have permitted, and of our assurance that if he will remain with us, we will show him that Greenbelt is the sort of town he thought it was when he came here—a town conceived and conducted as an experiment in democratic living.

—Walter R. Volckhausen

Dear Editor:

This is in answer to Mr. Blamey's letter concerning Henry Kolin's screen reviews and "fancy" language. Now in turn, what does Mr. Blamey mean by "American language"? Is such a bias against words over one syllable "American", or just plain obscurantism?

We feel that Mr. Kolin is doing a splendid analysis of coming films. We agree, however, Mr. Blamey, that most of them couldn't be recommended, but if one reads the reviews carefully enough, one can

tell how suited they are to your taste. Mr. Kolin would probably be called a "crank" by Greenbelt molders of public opinion if he didn't stick a "recommended" in there occasionally, but read the rest of his column and then decide.

A good many of us have been griping for a long time about the quality of shows brought to Greenbelt. We have brought this up through the regular channels, as Mr. Cooper suggested, but to no avail. Certainly Hollywood is turning out some stinkers and groping in the dark, but they turn out some "sleepers" as well. Compare us with other local theatres—comparison proves!

We ask that if we must exist under the benevolent profit system why can't we have more better quality films?

—A. H. and E. C. Holloway

## Community Church

At the Community Church Sunday morning the Reverend Wilmer P. Johnston will preach, using as his subject "Taking Our Jerichos". The music will be furnished by the choir under the direction of Mr. Dwight Truckess, accompanied by Mrs. Hester Neff at the organ. Mrs. Anna Lewis will be in the vestibule to take care of the children whose parents desire to leave them while they worship in the main auditorium. The Board of Deacons and Deaconesses will meet Sunday evening at 8 o'clock in the Pastor's study, 8-B Parkway.

## Catholic Church

Sunday Masses: 7:30 a. m. and 9:30 a. m. in the Greenbelt theater; 7:00 a. m., 9:00 a. m. and 11:30 a. m. at Berwyn.

Confessions: Saturday from 7:30 p. m. to 9:30 p. m. at 17-E Ridge Road in Greenbelt; Saturday from 5:30 p. m. to 8:30 p. m. at Berwyn.

Religious Instruction (for children not attending the Catholic School at Berwyn): Every Tuesday afternoon at 3:00 p. m. in rooms 125 and 225, Greenbelt Elementary School Building.

A choir is being organized for the church. Anyone interested in joining should leave their name after Mass this Sunday.


## Lutheran Church

Beginning Sunday, Nov. 12th, Rev. Edwin E. Piepwohl will start a series of sermons entitled "Questions of the Ages". The first, "To Whom Shall We Go?" will be delivered at 12:30 p. m. in the Home Economics room of the elementary school. Sunday School and Adult Bible class to begin at 11:45 a. m.

More children between the ages of 12 and 14 are urged to attend the religious instruction class held each Saturday afternoon at 35-L Ridge Road.

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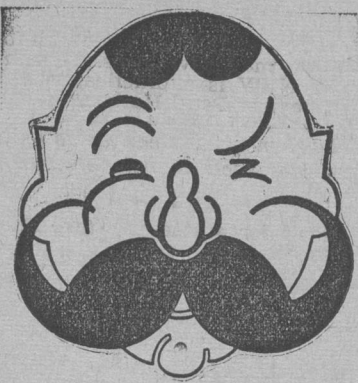
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## OUR NEIGHBORS

By JUNE WILBUR  
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Margaret May, a fourth child and fourth daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Joseph P. Payne of 4-K Plateau. Margaret May picked election day to make her appearance in the world.

Little Margaret Turner of 2-K Westway parted with her tonsils on Monday. At present report she was doing very well. Her father "Chick" Turner came up from Norfolk for the big event.

Election day parties were held all over town last Tuesday. Ones we heard about were at the Don Cooper's, the Paul O'Leary's, and at Bea Hesse's.

In celebration of Ebba's birthday, Bill and Ebba Stewart entertained several friends last Saturday night.

Greenbelters who will attend the Eastern Cooperative conference in New York this week-end include Mrs. Carmie Harper, Bob and Benny St. Clair, Don Cooper, Henry Walter, and Bob Volckhausen.

Chief Warrant Officer and Mrs. Merton England attended the annual meeting of the Southern Historical Society held at Vanderbilt University in Nashville, Tenn. last week. England is a Vanderbilt graduate.

Our sympathy goes out to Thomas B. Jeffries, foodstore manager, in the loss of his father, Robert H. Jeffries, in Georgetown, Thursday, November 2.

The Allan Lawrences of 6-H Crescent left for New York early this week to enjoy the excitement of election right there. Among the friends they hope to see is Lansing Hatfield of the Metropolitan Opera Company, a cousin of Mr. Lawrence.

Mrs. Nat Ephriam and her little boy Sandy of 8-B Crescent Road, are visiting Mrs. Ephriam's father and mother in Brooklyn, New York.

Harry Benefiel of 60-B Crescent Road, broke his left arm during basketball practice Tuesday evening.

### COMMUNITY CHURCH MEETING

At a meeting of the members of the Community Church held in the Auditorium Sunday afternoon it was voted not to accept the resignation recently tendered by the pastor, Reverend Wilmer P. Johnston. Reverend Johnston has not decided his future course of action.

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## GREENBELTERS IN UNIFORM

By MARY JANE TOWNSEND

We all said good-bye to Seaman Ralph Jones, U.S.M.S., this week. Ralph has been enjoying a 19 day leave. Jones has seen action in the South Pacific, and is looking for more.

James McLane, also a Maritime man, left with Ralph Jones. Jimmy was home for six days, out of his ten and on an impulse he signed up to be shipped out with Ralph. Jimmy has been on duty in the Mediterranean and France. Good luck to the two of them!

The Maritime service is out to monopolize this column this week. Richard Coulter, ordinary seaman, reported back and signed for a ship after spending two weeks in Greenbelt. Dicky has been in France, and expressed his desire to return there when he could have "more time for entertainment."

On a furlough here is Henry MacFarland, who graduated with Greenbelt High School's February class this year. Henry is now a "buck private" in the Army.

Good news! Our friend Bart J. Finn has passed his Seaman 1st class, and is now in the combat demolition unit of the amphibious training program at Ft. Pierce, Florida. Bart, who is known as an ice cream fiend, wants us all to know that he still gets plenty of milk shakes and ice cream. S 1/c Finn expects to go to California, and is afraid that he won't be home on leave for a long time.

Eddie Timmons, M. M. 2/c left for New York this week after spending eight days with his wife and daughter, Joan. Eddie's family surprised him by going to New York to see him, and he surprised his family by getting a four day leave and coming back to Greenbelt with them. Mr. Timmons recently returned to the states after active duty in the Mediterranean. The Timmons family reside at 16-J Ridge Road and were one of the first families to live in Greenbelt, having moved here in 1937.

An interesting letter was received by Mrs. Gordon Ogilvie, 14-B Laurel Hill, from her husband, who is somewhere in the South Pacific. It seems that he is intending to start a garden as he requested his wife to send him assorted flower and vegetable seeds. We hope to learn more of his garden, and would like to see the result, one way or another.

Chief Petty Officer Earl Newton of 1-D Woodland Way, recently returned from England, where he was stationed with Naval Communications Headquarters, underwent an appendectomy last Friday night at the Bethesda Naval Hospital.

Lt. Stanley Provost, of the infantry, arrived a week ago, in our fair city. Lt. Provost was at Anzio, at Cassino, and then the Arno River. Lt. Provost received the Purple Heart while on active duty. Pvt. Harold Maw, who entered the service Oct. 19, is with the Medical Administrative Corps at Ft. Lewis, Tacoma, Washington.

Zella M. Bryan of 2-D Northway has been accepted into the WAVES and is to report for duty on the 14th of December. Miss Bryan is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Allan A. Bryan. She graduated from the Greenbelt High School in 1942 and is now employed at the Census Bureau.

Goodnight, wherever you are.

## Trojans Beat Greenbelt 33 - 6

A battling Greenbelt team could not cope with the older, heavier Georgetown club and lost the League leadership to the Trojans, last Sunday, by the score of 33-6.

In the first quarter Eshbaugh, who had been sick in bed all week, recovered a Georgetown fumble, and raced 35 yards to score. The conversion was wide. Three plays later, Leiper crossed the goal line, only to have the play called back on an offside penalty.

From then on the Trojans drove the Greenbelt line slowly but relentlessly down the field, pushing their way over for five touchdowns before the game ended. The Georgetown blocking was beautifully executed, and two fast backs, Beck and Bromley were exceptionally good.

For Greenbelt, Winstead and Dick Morris, Berube, Sipes, De Marr, and Goode in the line were outstanding; while Wolfe, Eshbaugh, "Burp" Cookson and Leiper in the back-field performed in big league style.

However, it was the old story of a good older and heavier team against a good lighter team, although to most of the spectators the Trojans appeared to have some players who were older and heavier than allowed by League regulations. The Packers have some tough games ahead of them and are now in second place. They still have a chance for the championship if all the boys keep up their fighting spirit and report for practice every evening.

After the game, the players and coaches were entertained at H. M. Goode's by Mr. and Mrs. Goode and Mr. and Mrs. Cookson. Coach Van Camp said, "It was no disgrace to lose to a team like Georgetown. Our boys played their hearts out and I am proud of every one of them."

The tough National Training School eleven, coached by Duvall, former University of Maryland star, will be met on Braden Field next Sunday at 2 p. m.

Line Up:			Georgetown
Greenbelt			Ward (c)
Rhine	RE		Wrenn
Winstead	RT		Hillary
Berube	RG		Potter
Fox	C		Tyler
Sipes	LG		Angle
W. Cookson	LT		Kinsey
Morris	LE		Bickle
Eshbaugh	B		Tull
R. Cookson	RH		Bromley
Leiper	LH		Beck
Wolfe (c)	F		

Officials—Shoemaker and Newhall (Bolling Field).

Substitutes: Greenbelt—Herr, De Marr, Ward, Austin, Scardalis, Klippert, Lupton. Georgetown—Herbert, Belton, Fisher, Scores for other League games: Hyattsville 43, Hornets 0; Nat. Training School 7, Berwyn 6; Md. Park 7, Mt. Rainier 0; George's News 18, Laurel 6.

### From The Halls Of G.H.S.

By MARILYN MARYN

The election has been greatly talked about this past week. Discussions were held in all social studies and civics classes. In several of the classes straw votes were taken. Students were given an opportunity to evaluate the good and bad points of both the Democratic and Republican candidates. The freshmen civics classes held a model election, with parties putting up candidates.

The Student council is drawing up plans for a point system, whereby students who have done outstanding work or received special merit will earn a Greenbelt G. Only a senior who has a total of a hundred points or so will merit a G. The definite value of the points has not yet been determined, however deciding factors will be attendance, sportsmanship, grades and participation in clubs and other activities. The class of '45 will need only 30 points instead of the hundred mentioned above.

Report cards for the first quarter (each quarter is nine weeks) were due. They were not issued however, since a new type of card will be used this year. The cards are being retained at the Board of Education until ready to be distributed to schools.

Physical examination will be given to all students shortly with a public health doctor in attendance. Students will be charged a fee of twenty-five cents.

"The Macbeth Murder Mystery, or Who Done It?" was presented to the senior assembly last Wednesday. This amusing play, written by Donn O'Neill, was a parody on Shakespeare's "The Tragedy of Macbeth" which the seniors have just completed studying.

### CONSIDER DIRECTOR

One formal application has been received for the position of general manager of Greenbelt Consumer Services and several persons have indicated their interest in the position, according to G.C.S. Vice President, Donald H. Cooper. The Board of Directors has met with one applicant and is meeting tonight for further consideration of the best choice for the position.

## Women's Bowling

OCTOBER 31, 1944				
Name	W	L	Pinfall	
Victors	1	7	10497	
Wing Pins	16	8	10752	
Co-op	15	9	10697	
Brownies	15	9	10502	
Robots	14	10	10819	
Invaders	12	12	10448	
Zombies	12	12	9774	
Bombers	12	12	9610	
Raiders	11	13	10676	
Allies	11	13	10371	
Commandos	10	14	10413	
G. I.'s	10	14	10410	
Hep Cats	10	14	10277	
Widgets	3	21	8966	
High Team Game, Wing Pins, Co-op, 503; High Team Set, Co-op, 1446; High Indiv. Game, Bradley 136, Benjamin 127; High Indiv. Set, Bradley, 331, Timmons, 326; High Strikes, Creech 13, Johnson 9; High Spares, Bradley, Timmons 36, Kosatka, 34; High Average, Lastner 100, Timmons 98, Bradley 97, Johnson 96; High Flat Game, Allen 93.				

## Men's Bowling

NOVEMBER 2, 1944				
Teams	W	L	Pinfall	
Com. Church	15	6	9781	
Defenders	14	7	9347	
Cardinals	13	8	10786	
Commandos	12	9	10046	
Bazookas	11	10	10045	
Seahawks	11	10	9603	
Redskins	10	11	10466	
Aces	8	13	10143	
Triggerman	8	13	9808	
Blockbusters	8	13	9325	
Scorpions	8	13	9089	
Co-op	8	13	8739	
High Team Game: Cardinals, 570; Redskins, 567; High Team Set: Redskins 1584, Cardinals, 1569; High Indiv. Game: Slauch, 178, Galvin 149; High Indiv. Set: Slauch 385, Guy Bowen, 375; High Flat Game: Alexander and Brockway, (tied), 94.				

## "Toots"

By PAT BROWN and KATHLEEN SCOTT

The Band wishes to express to the people of Greenbelt its appreciation for their splendid support and cooperation in its Minstrel and Variety Show, held last week. The show was a huge success, from both the entertainment and the financial viewpoints. All proceeds will go into the Band's treasury to be used for new music and uniforms. The show was ably produced and directed by Mr. and Mrs. Rolfe Sauls, and the major part of the credit for it must go to them. C. R. Dupree did a wonderful job, or shall we say jobs, as advertising manager, sound and light man. The spotlight was skillfully manipulated by Assistant Leader Carl Meuse, who did his part on the advertising program also. John Collier was right in there pitching, as usual, and Dana Garrett proved loyal to his band by taking part as guest artist and "middle man" in its production. The real backbone of the show, of course, was the cast, which worked so hard to make it a success. Credit should also go to Stage Assistant Dale Downs, James Jones and Jo Anne Cusick, Make-up staff and Major Nesbitt, Mrs. Emmett Griggs and Mrs. Herbert Hall, Jr. for their part in the show. The Serenaders contributed to the success of the show by their pre-show and intermission performances.

Last, but not least, we must laud the Band members who did a grand job in their ticket-selling campaign. Thank you again, everyone, for your part in making this show one of the most successful activities ever undertaken by the Greenbelt Band.

The second chair in the trumpet section was taken over once more at our last practice by Dick Palmer, who was A.W.O.L. from Western Maryland College, where he is taking up music, of all things. Dick gave an excellent demonstration of what a college education can do for one's musical skill.

Everyone was glad to see the familiar face of Harold Kidder at our Variety Show. Harold, former mainstay of the trombone section, is now a Merchant Marine Air Cadet.

Another of our wandering boys is Henry McFarland, home on a 15-day furlough. Henry left a big empty spot in the clarinet section when he said good-bye to the solo chair in favor of the Army Air Corps last March. "Mac" is on his way to Chanut Field, Illinois, where he expects to attend aerial gunnery school.

When the United States Coast Guard destroyer escort *Leopold* was hit by a torpedo from a Nazi U-boat while firing on another U-boat of the same wolf pack, only 28 of a complement of 205 survived.



## Typhoon Is Western Pacific Version Of Tropical Hurricane Of Atlantic

"Plenty of rain and blow—but just an average typhoon for the region." This sums up the scientist's description of the tropical storm that recently blew across Leyte Island, American landing area in the Philippines.

"Tropical cyclone," says the National Geographic Society, is the correct general name for the big, rotating storms arising in warm seas around the world. They are known, however, by various names, according to where they happen to blow. In the western Atlantic Ocean, Caribbean Sea, and Gulf of Mexico, where an average of four arise each annual season, they are hurricanes. The same name applies in the south Pacific, although Australians sometimes call them willy-willies. In the Bay of Bengal and adjoining Indian seas, where they average twice the frequency found in the western Atlantic, they are simply cyclones.

In the western Pacific and China Seas, where about 24 of some violence occur during each June-to-October season, the tropical cyclone is called a typhoon. Within this area are the Philippines, where the typhoon has a local name—the baguio.

By any name, the tropical cyclone rises in the doldrums of the open ocean near the Equator and gradually becomes a vast doughnut of whirling air with a hole of comparative calm at its center. Cool air from above mixing with the warm, moist air rising from the sea over a wide area picks up a whirling motion from the earth's eastward rotation, the motion building up to tremendous speed.

Such storms north of the Equator always have a counterclockwise spin, and south of the Equator revolve clockwise. Near their area of origin they may have no more than a 50-mile diameter and a calm, rainless center only five miles wide. When fully developed, a big typhoon or hurricane may be 300 miles in diameter with a 30-mile center of calm. Its effects on the atmosphere may be noticed over an 1,800-mile range.

To one who experiences the tropical cyclone's fury, the circular pattern of the storm is not evident. If he is directly in its line, he first shelters himself from wind and rain coming from one direction, then rejoices briefly to see calm and even sunshine. But soon he must protect himself from the driving wind and rain of the other side of the doughnut, blowing in the opposite direction.

Leyte's Halloween typhoon blew 75-mile winds. In the worst storms wind velocity sometimes doubles this figure. In addition to their circular whirl the tropical cyclones move in their entirety, slowly at first, and usually no more than 20 miles an hour. Some storms, however, have attained a speed of 40 miles or more per hour. The usual direction for those north of the Equator is westward, then northwestward. South of the Equator they move westward, then southwestward. Virtually all Atlantic hurricanes occur north of the Equator.

Tropical cyclones are usually at their strongest between latitudes 10 degrees and 20 degrees, north and south. Within these belts

damage to shipping, crops, and villages is common.

The record books are full, however, of accounts of such storms as the Japanese typhoon of 1934 and the New England hurricane of 1938. Both originated in equatorial seas. Both moved westward, then north-westward, then northward, passing well north of the usual tropical cyclone range. Both bear the same date within their respective calendar years—September 21, the height of the Northern Hemisphere's tropical cyclone season.

## Have You A Little Jap Photo Handy?

Norfolk, Nov. 9.—Do you have a photograph of Japan—mainland or islands? If you do, Uncle Sam wants to use it for his invasion plans. And he'll send for it if you'll telephone District Intelligence, Norfolk Naval Operating Base, giving your name and address.

In addition, the Navy wants to interview persons who have first-

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● Elia Braca, portrays Egyptian villainess Metara, in CBS Scriptural serial "Light of the World." She's of Egyptian descent. ●

hand knowledge of any areas now occupied by the Japanese.

This is an urgent call—and an opportunity to share directly in your country's final accounting with Nippon. Let an Intelligence officer be the judge of whether the photo is worth while.

"Analysis of ground-level photo-

graphs will add greatly to data gleaned from aerial photographs made under operational or combat conditions," Naval Intelligence points out. "Shoreline photographs will help especially in the selection of the best zones for landings." Included are pictures of Jap-held territory, such as Korea, Formosa, the Kuriles, Manchuria, China, the Philippines, the Dutch East Indies, Indo-China, Burma, Malaya and Thailand which also is known as Siam. Your photograph, or your information may save lives. Turning it in NOW is a practical way to "Remember Pearl Harbor."

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